## What is claimed is:

- 1. A compact packaged towel, comprising:
  - at least one towel; and
- a first sheet and a second sheet whereby the edges of the first sheet are sealed to the corresponding edges of the second sheet to define a compartment between the two sheets in which the at least one towel is positioned and where substantially all of the air is removed from the compartment.
- 2. The compact packaged towel of claim 1 wherein the at least one towel is folded.
- 3. The compact packaged towel of claim 1 further comprising a means for opening the sealed compartment.
- 4. The compact packaged towel of claim 3 wherein the means for opening is at least one perforation positioned along at least one edge of the sealed sheets.
- 5. The compact packaged towel of claim 3 wherein the means for opening is at least one notch positioned along at least one edge of the sealed sheets.
- 6. The compact packaged towel of claim 3 wherein the means for opening is a pull-string positioned along at least a portion of the compartment.
- 7. The compact packaged towel of claim 1 wherein the at least one towel is moistened with a liquid.
  - 8. A compact packaged towel, comprising:
    - at least one towel; and
- a sheet having a first half and a second half whereby the sheet is folded and the edges of the sheet first half are sealed to the corresponding edges of the sheet second half to define a compartment between the sheet first half and the sheet second half in which the at least one towel is positioned and where substantially all of the air is removed from the compartment.
- 9. The compact packaged towel of claim 8 wherein the at least one towel is folded.
- 10. The compact packaged towel of claim 8 further comprising a means for opening the sealed compartment.
- 11. The compact packaged towel of claim 10 wherein the means for opening is at least one perforation positioned along at least on edge of the sealed sheet.
- 12. The compact packaged towel of claim 10 wherein the means for opening is at least one notch positioned along at least one edge of the sealed sheets.

- 13. The compact packaged towel of claim 10 wherein the means for opening is a pull-string positioned along at least a portion of the compartment.
- 14. The compact packaged towel of claim 8 wherein the at least one towel is moistened with a liquid.
  - 15. A compact packaged towel, comprising:
    - at least one towel; and
- a first sheet and a second sheet whereby a compartment between the two sheets is formed by vacuum sealing the edges of the first sheet to the corresponding edges of the second sheet and where the at least towel is positioned in the compartment.
- 16. The compact packaged towel of claim 15 wherein the at least one towel is folded.
- 17. The compact packaged towel of claim 15 further comprising a means for opening the sealed compartment.
- 18. The compact packaged towel of claim 17 wherein the means for opening is at least one perforation positioned along at least one edge of the sealed sheets.
- 19. The compact packaged towel of claim 17 wherein the means for opening is at least one notch positioned along at least one edge of the sealed sheets.
- 20. The compact packaged towel of claim 17 wherein the means for opening is a pull-string positioned along at least a portion of the compartment.